# Monitoring for Saving



Use of Labs 21 tools and monitoring systems in exploring energy savings opportunities in laboratories, a case study

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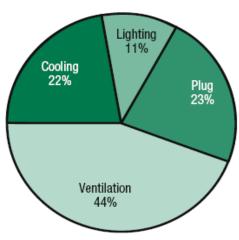


# Goal: Energy-Efficient Laboratory



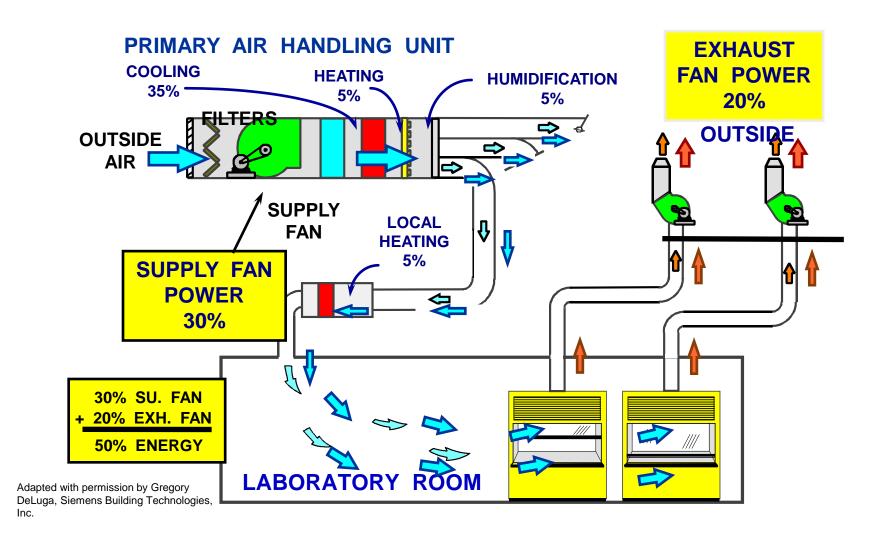
Objectives: At the end of this session, after a brief review of laboratory ventilation and HVAC basics you:

- 1. Become familiar with the benefits of use of benchmarking and LEEP tools in discovering energy end use
- 2. Become familiar with benefits of the laboratory central monitoring and control systems
- 3. Discovering EEMs in a case study
  - 1. Optimize Ventilation (air change) Rates
    - Lower HVAC Fan-Energy Use
    - Lower cooling and heating with make up air reduction
  - 2. Minimize Simultaneous Heating and Cooling



Annual electricity use in Louis Stokes Laboratory, National Institutes of Health , Bethesda, MD

# Basic Lab HVAC System



# **Optimize Ventilation (AC) Rates**



## What is the Minimum, Safe Air Ventilation Rate?

- Few codes but many standards
  - Ventilation standards often expressed as a range (e.g. 4 to 12 air changes)
- According to IBC building codes:
  - IBC B occupancy requires ventilation based on people
  - IBC H-5 occupancy requires 1 cfm/sf of outside air.

1 cfm/sf translates to 6 air changes per hour (ACH)

with a 10 foot ceiling.





# **Optimize Ventilation Rate**



# Strategy 1: Apply occupied versus unoccupied ventilation rates.

- Automate setback with control strategies.
- Zone proximity sensors
- Can be simple interlock with light switch.
- Sash stop

Strategy 2: Apply VAV exhaust and supply.



- Users have great influence on both safety and energy efficiency.
- For example, VAV exhaust systems are useless when operators do not use it as intended; close sash when not in use.
- Comprehensive and reoccurring training is required.



# Sash management



- Training and education
- Feedback to users
  - The stick
  - The carrot
- Automated sash management
  - Occupied and unoccupied set points (reset velocity set point)
  - Auto sash closure system
- Continuous improvement
  - Follow up regularly



# THIS HOOD SASH WAS LEFT OPEN OVERNIGHT.

Closing it would save \$1,500 a year (enough to heat an average home) and 10,600 pounds of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

A closed hood is also safer for you and others in the lab.

Please remember to shut the sash.

Thank you!

**Building Manager** 

Date

Courtesy of Harvard Green Campus Initiative

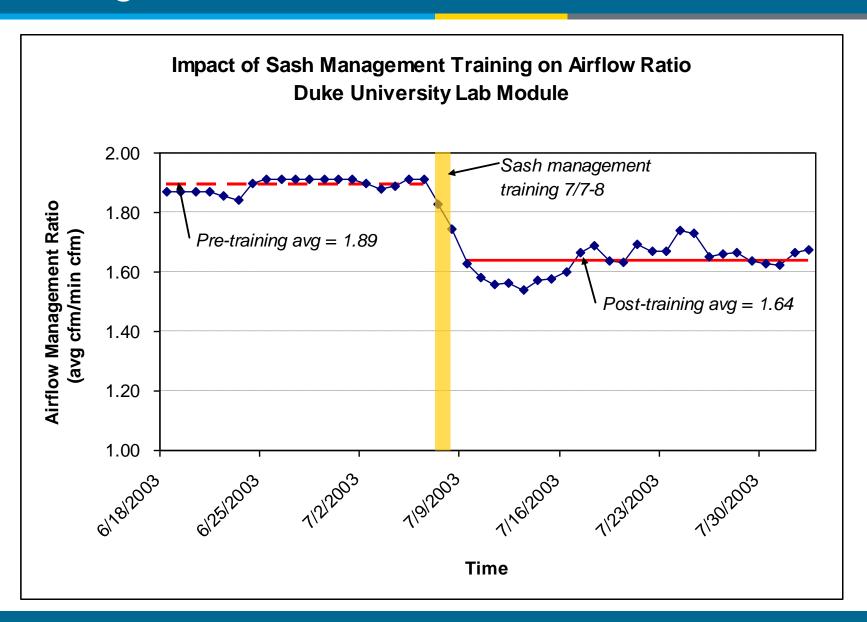
HOOD SET-UP ONLY! MAXIMUM 00

SASH HEIGHT

Courtesy of Allen Doyle, UC Davis

# Impact of Sash Management Training

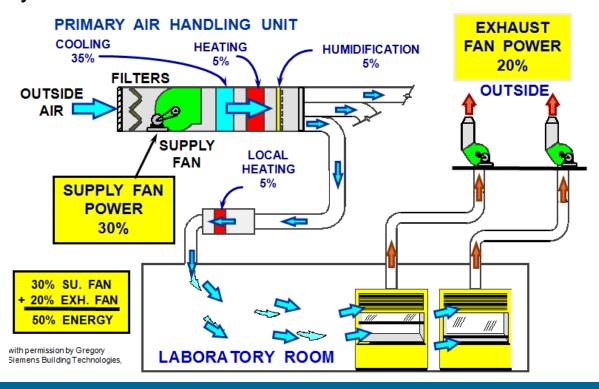




## What is Simultaneous Heating and Cooling?



- Consider only one of many labs having a large, unanticipated, heat-generating load.
- HVAC system will provide cooler air to satisfy this higherintensity lab.
- Consequently, all other lab spaces must be re-heated, after airflow has been expensively cooled.

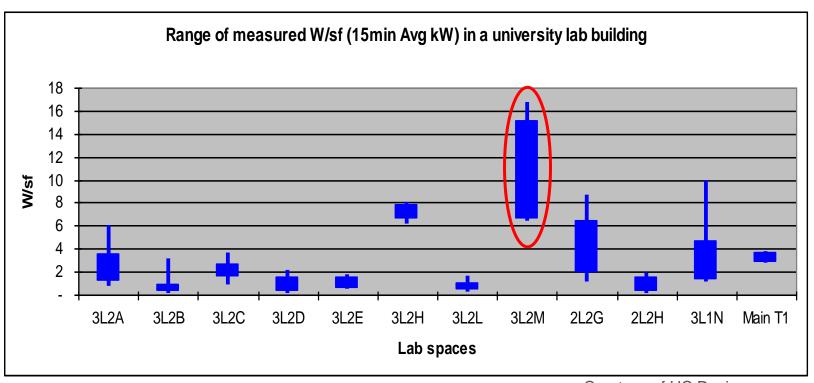


## **Simultaneous Heating and Cooling**



## Reheat (simultaneous heating and cooling) causes major energy waste in labs

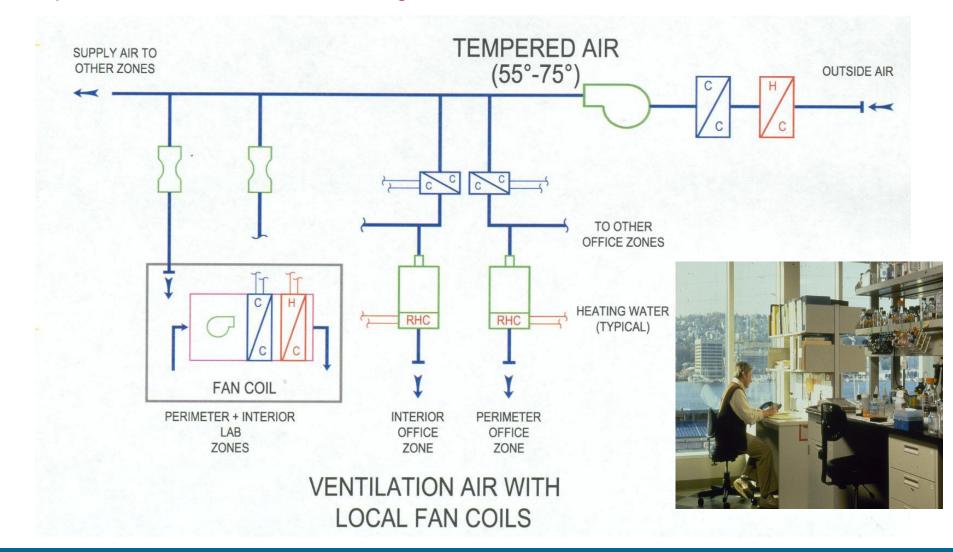
 A single high load lab zone requiring cooling can artificially create reheating loads throughout remainder of laboratory...

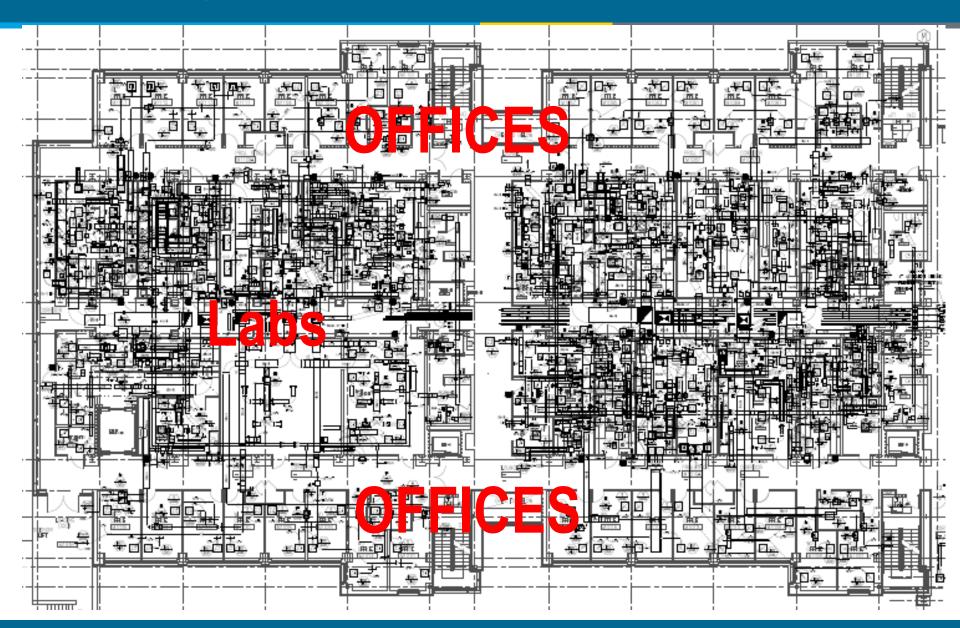


## System Alternatives to Minimize Reheat



## Separate ventilation from cooling to minimize reheat...





## Hoods in B15, efficiency opportunities







canopy hoods, seldom used

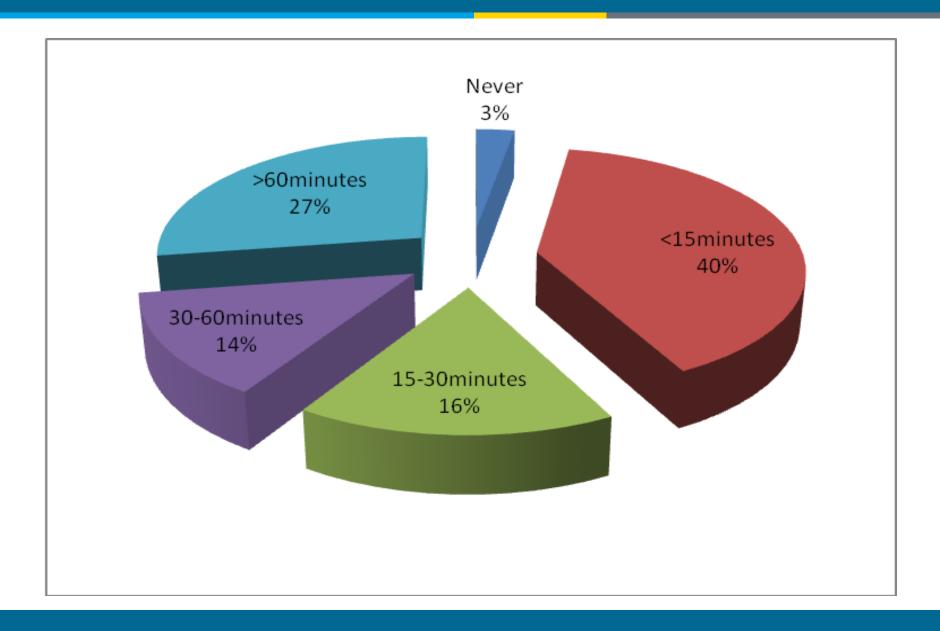


Open sash hood



No sash

Courtesy of ETC







Your Current Data:



## **General Facility Data**

| User                               | rmahdavi               |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Organization                       | LBNL                   |
| Facility Name                      |                        |
| Year (for which this data applies) | 2012                   |
| Street Address*                    |                        |
| Location*                          | . 1                    |
| Zip Code (5 digit)*                |                        |
| Organization Type *                | Other ▼                |
| Lab Use (most prevalent)*          | Research/Development ▼ |
| Lab Type (most prevalent)*         | Chemical ▼             |
| Number of Buildings*               | 1                      |
| Gross Area (sq. ft.)*              | 200000                 |



#### Whole Building Energy Use Data

(The Energy use and cost data entered in this section should include ALL energy used by the building, including district steam / hot water / chilled water if applicable.

Enter 0 if not applicable)

More Information Measured / Estimated

| Annual Electric Use (kWh)*                          | 0  | 4200000 | • |   |
|---|----|---------|---|---|
| Peak Electric Demand (kW)                           |    | 800     | 0 | • |
| Annual Natural Gas Use (Million BTU)                | *0 | 35000   | 0 | • |
| Annual Fuel Oil Use (Million BTU)*                  | 0  | 0       | 0 | • |
| Annual Other Fuel Use*<br>(Million BTU)             | 0  | 0       | 0 | • |
| Annual District Chilled Water Use*<br>(Million BTU) | 0  | 0       | 0 | • |
| Annual District Hot Water Use*<br>(Million BTU)     | 0  | 0       | 0 | • |
| Annual District Steam Use*<br>(Million BTU)         | 0  | 0       | 0 | • |
| Annual Energy Utility Cost (\$)                     |    | 690000  |   | • |



LABS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

## benchmarking

step one of four - login

step two of four - enter facility name and year of data

step three of four - enter data for the facility

step four of four - review / edit entered data

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| User                               | rmahdavi                |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Organization                       | LBNL                    |
| Facility Name                      | USGS                    |
| Year (for which this data applies) | 2012                    |
|                                    |                         |
| Street Address                     | 345 middlefield rd      |
| Location                           | Menlo Park, ca          |
| Zip Code                           | 94025                   |
| Organization Type                  | Other                   |
| Lab Use (most prevalent)           | ResearchDevelopment     |
| Lab Type (most prevalent)          | Chemical                |
| Number of Buildings                | 1                       |
| Gross Area (sf)                    | 200000                  |
| Lab Area (sf)                      | 40000                   |
| % Biological                       | 10                      |
| % Chemical                         | 80                      |
| % Physical                         | 10                      |
| % Other                            | 0                       |
| Vivarium Area (sf)                 | 0                       |
| Number of Fumehoods                | 100                     |
| Total linear feet of Fumehoods     | 360                     |
| Total occupancy hours per week     | 60                      |
| Total Number of Occupants          | 180                     |
| Year Built (or major reNovations)  | 1996                    |
| Is this an existing building?      | Yes - Existing Building |

| Lab I | ndoor | Design | Conditions |
|-------|-------|--------|------------|
|-------|-------|--------|------------|

| Occupied Cooling Setpoint (F)   | 72 |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Occupied Heating Setpoint (F)   | 72 |
| UNoccupied Cooling Setpoint (F) | 70 |
| UNoccupied Heating Setpoint (F) | 68 |
| Humidity Minimum (%RH)          | 20 |
| Humidity Maximum (%RH)          | 80 |
|                                 |    |

#### **High Performance Features**

| VAV Fumehoods -                  | VFD for Fans/Motors - yes        |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| High Efficiency Chiller Plant -  | High Efficiency Heating Plant -  |
| Thermal Energy Storage -         | Automated Control Systems -      |
| Energy Recovery -                | Low Pressure Air Distribution -  |
| No reheat -                      | Others -                         |
| Lighting                         |                                  |
| Day Lighting Systems -           | High Efficiency Lamps/Fixtures - |
| Automated Controls -             | Others -                         |
| Envelope                         |                                  |
| High Performance Glass -         | External Shading Devices -       |
| Others -                         |                                  |
| Others                           |                                  |
| Facility uses CHP (Cogen) system | Others -                         |
|                                  |                                  |

**Edit Data For This Facility** 

**Additional Comments** 

Benchmarking Analysis

Enter Data For Another Facility

Log out



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### Log out

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|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
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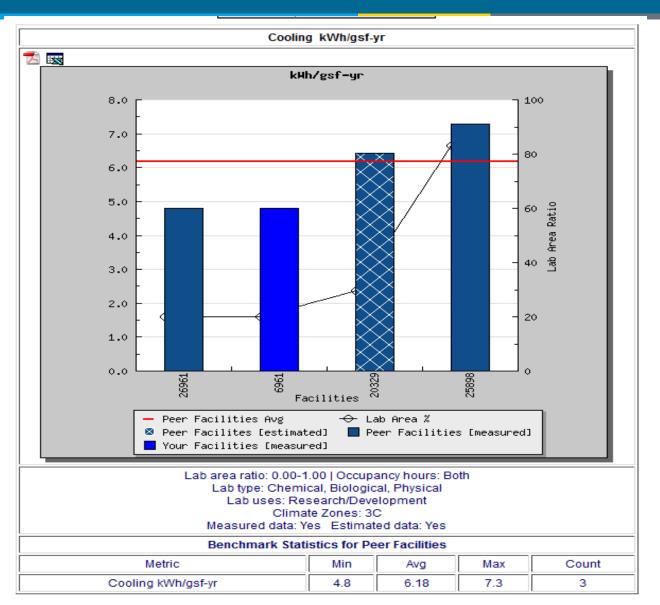
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More Information

User rmahdavi
Organization LBNL

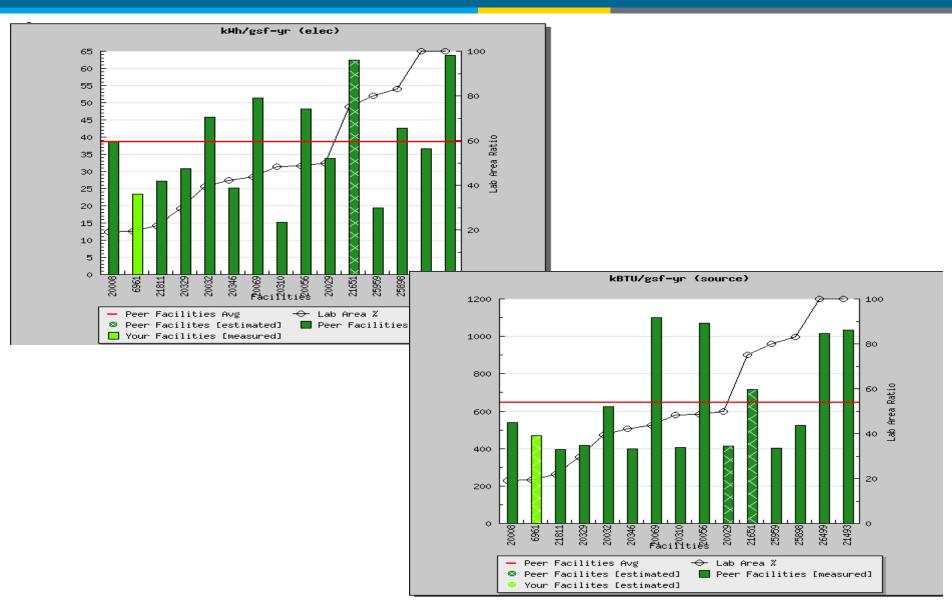
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| Select metric:                   |                                   |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| System                           | Cooling ▼                         |
| Energy / Efficiency Metric       | kWh/gsf-yr ▼                      |
|                                  |                                   |
| Specify data filtering criteria: |                                   |
| 1. Lab Area / Gross Area ratio 🕖 |                                   |
| is greater than or equal to 0.00 | and is less than or equal to 1.00 |
| 2. Occupancy hours per week 0    |                                   |
| Standard (≤80 hours)             |                                   |
| High (>80 hours)                 |                                   |



# LABS 21 Benchmarking Tool Case Study Results





## Lab Energy Efficiency Profiling Tool



#### LABORATORY ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROFILER



IDENTIFY POTENTIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY OPPORTUNITIES IN YOUR LABORATORY



#### LABORATORY ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROFILER (LEEP)

helps users to quickly identify and prioritize potential energy efficiency actions in laboratory facilities. It does not require users to have any specialized knowledge of energy audits or analysis. The tool inputs are the key characteristics of the facility's ventilation, heating, cooling and lighting systems as well as plug and process equipment. Based on these inputs, the tool provides information on the relevance, impact, and comparative cost of over 60 actions to reduce energy use. These results can then be used to help establish the scope and priorities for more detailed energy audits.

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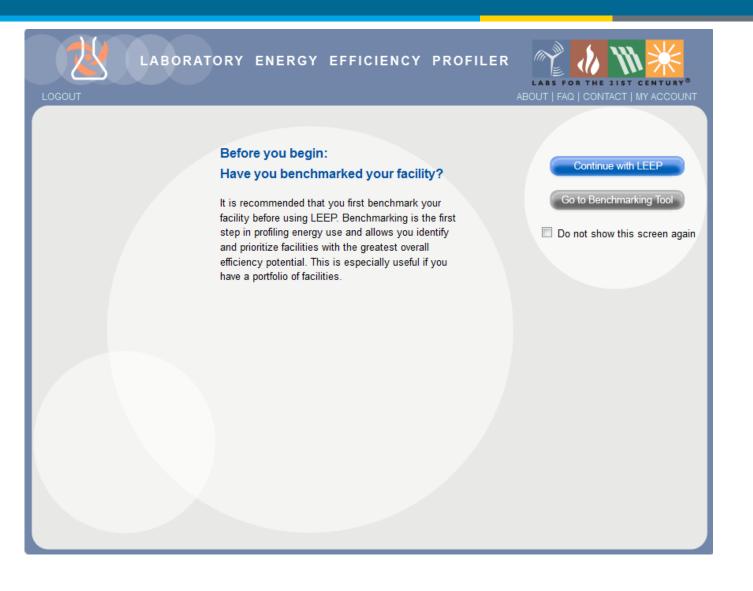
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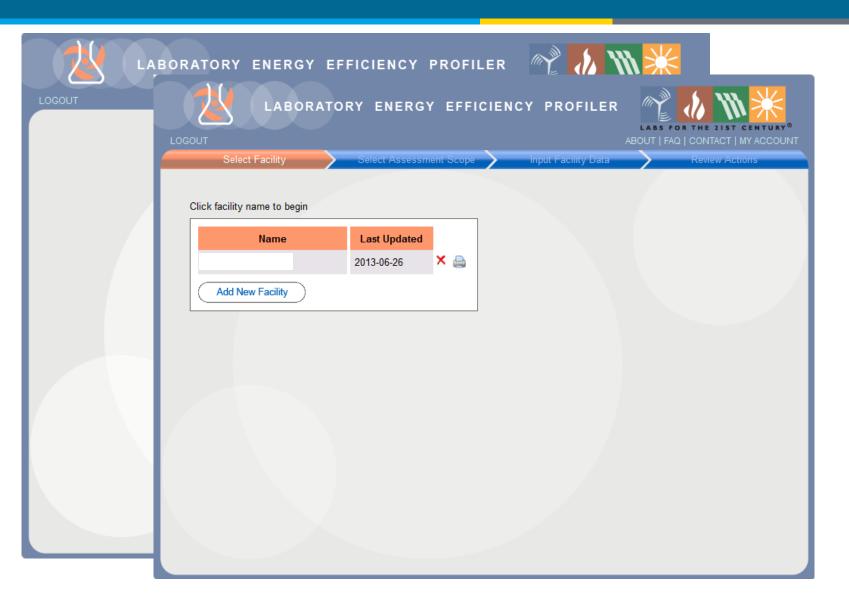
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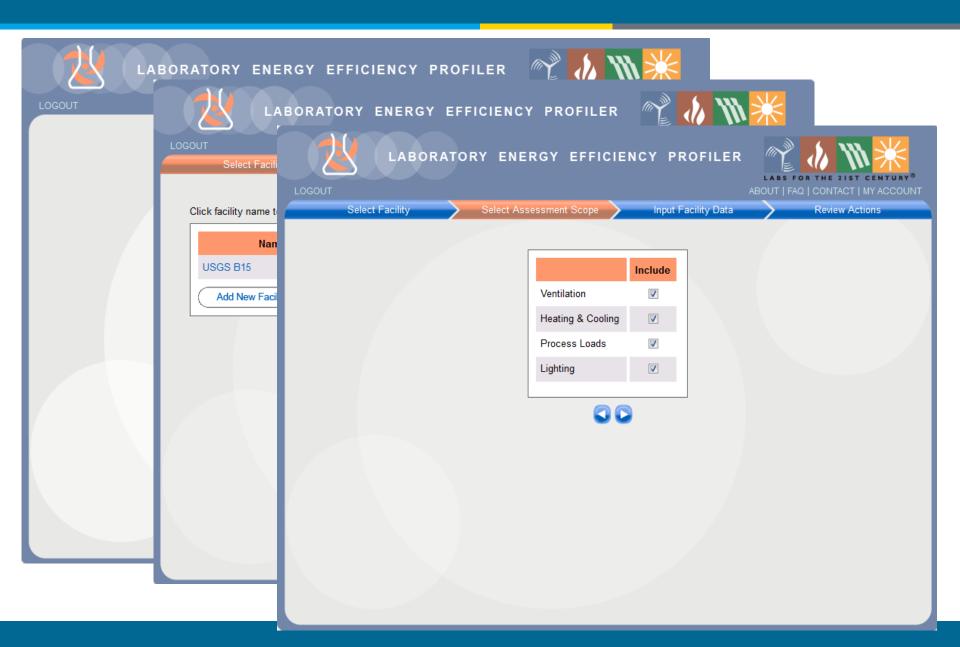
Request A User Account













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|--|---|
| Select Facility Select Assessment Scope Input              | Facility Data Review Actions  |
| General Ventilation Heating & Cooling Process & Plug Loads | Lighting  |
| * Required   |   |
| Street address*  |   |
| Location*  |   |
| ZIP code (5 digit)*  |   |
| Organization type*   | Government ▼  |
| Building gross area (gsf)*                                 | 200,000   |
| Laboratory Area (nsf)* (Chemical and biological: "wet")    | 40,000  |
| Occupied hours per week*                                   | 48  |
| Year of construction* (or last major renovation)           | 1996  |
| Climate zone* Climate maps                                 | (3C) Warm - Marine 🔻  |
| Lab use (most prevalent)*                                  | Research/Development ▼  |
| Lab type (most prevalent)*                                 | Chemical ▼  |
| Vivarium area (sq. ft.)*                                   | 0   |
|  | Save and Continue   |
|  |   |



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| General Ventilation Heating & Cooling Process & Plug Loads                               | Lighting  |
| No required fields. Leave blank or select 'Don't Know' if unknown.                       | Lighting  |
| Building ventilation system type   | Variable Air Volume (VAV) ▼                                 |
| ▼Supply System   |   |
| Peak/max. building supply airflow (CFM)  | 140,000   |
| Peak/max. lab-only supply airflow (CFM)  | 100,000   |
| Minimum lab-only supply airflow (CFM)  | 50,000  |
| Supply total system pressure (TSP) drop (inches w.g.)                                    | 4.0   |
| What is the age of your oldest supply fan motor?(years)                                  | 15  |
| Efficiency of fan motors nearing replacement (rating)                                    | Standard <b>▼</b>   |
| How many times each year are fan motor belts changed? (Enter zero for direct drive fans) | 0   |
| Is there a temporary pre-filter remaining in the main AHU?                               | No ▼  |
| Main filter type   | Pleated ▼   |
| Main filter pressure drop (inches w.g.)  | 1.0   |
| Were the filters inspected within the last six months?                                   | Yes ▼   |
| Have the supply air handling units been checked for airflow obstructions and blockage?   | Yes ▼   |
| Do the supply air handling units have noise attenuators?                                 | No ▼  |
| Do the supply air handling units have acoustic lining?                                   | Yes ▼   |
| Do the supply air handling units have mesh guards around the fan(s)?                     | No ▼  |



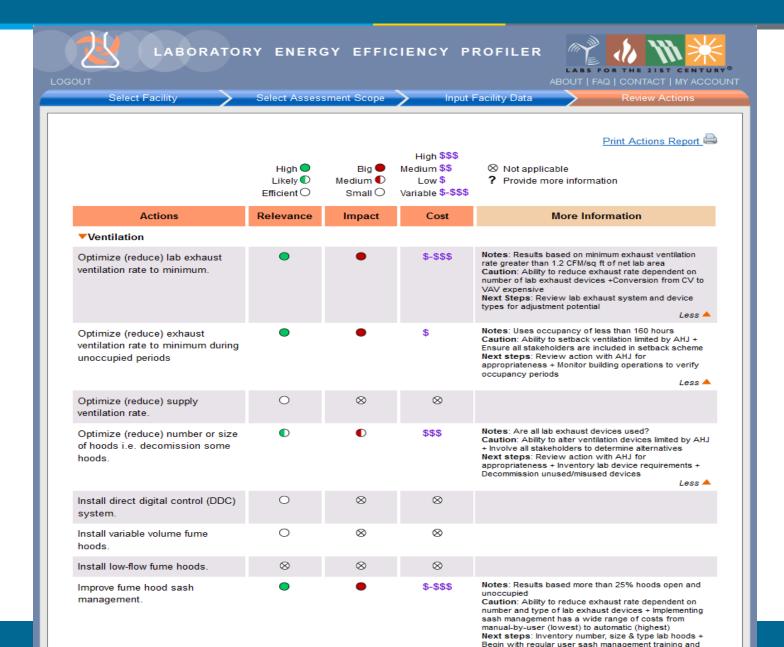
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| General Ventilation Heating & Cooling Process & Plug Loads  No required fields. Leave blank or select 'Don't Know' if unknown.  **Heating System** | Lighting  |
| Is building heating from a district central system?  | No ▼  |
| Number of boilers  | 2 🔻   |
| Boiler input capacity (MMBTUH)   | Boiler #1 20.0<br>Boiler #2 20.0                                      |
| Boiler output capacity (MMBTUH)  | Boiler #1 16.0 Boiler #2 16.0   |
| Boiler turn down ratio (X to 1)  | Boiler #1 10<br>Boiler #2 10  |
| What is the age of the heating plant (years)   | 15.0  |
| What is the age of the oldest heating hot water pump motors? (years)   | 15.0  |
| Heating Hot Water pump motor efficiency?   | Standard <b>▼</b>   |
| Does the heating hot water distribution system have variable speed pumps?  | No ▼  |
| Is there an energy recovery system between the supply air duct and the exhaust air duct?   | No ▼  |
| ▼Cooling System  |   |
| Is building cooling from a district central system?  | No •  |
| Number of chillers   | 2 🔻   |



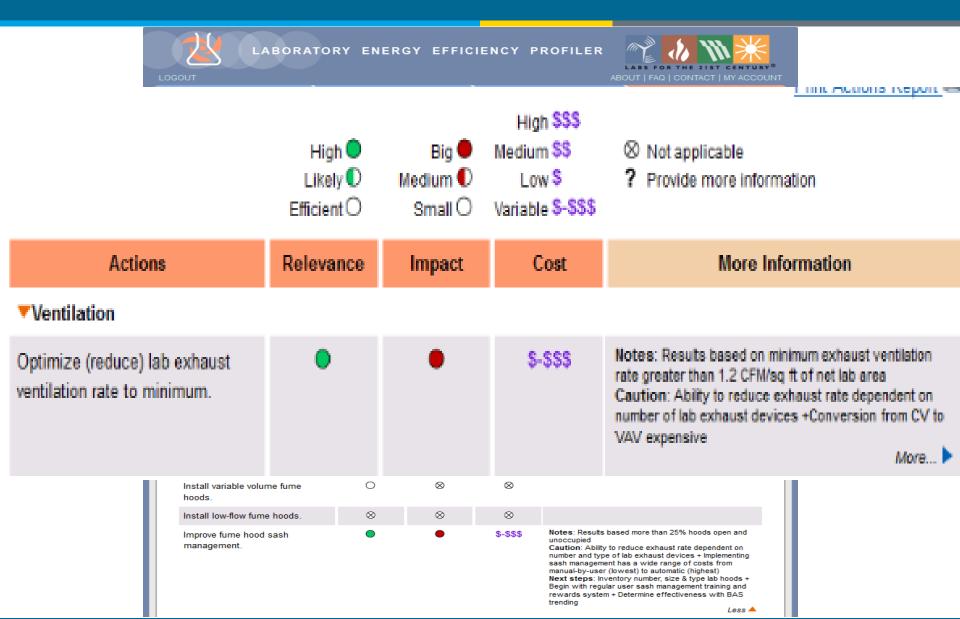
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| No required fields. Leave blank or select 'Don't Know' if unknown.   |                            |
| Are there procedures to shutdown process equipment when not in use?  | No ▼                       |
| Are computers, monitors, and printers EnergyStar rated?  | No •                       |
| Are there non-lab-grade refrigerators and freezers?  | No •                       |
| Are there dedicated rooms for refrigerators and freezers?  | No ▼                       |
| Are there centralized compressed air or vacuum pump systems?   | Yes ▼                      |
| Where are centralized air compressors and vacuum pumps located?  | Mechanical room ▼          |
| Have compressed air and vacuum systems been checked for leaks within the last three years?                               | No •                       |
| Number of lab spaces requiring compressed air or vacuum  | 10                         |
| Age of air compressor and vacuum pumps(years)  | 15.0                       |
| Is there a dedicated chiller for process cooling?  | No ▼                       |
| Is process chilled water temperature requirement within ±10°F of air conditioning chilled water temperature requirement? | Yes ▼                      |
|  | Save and Continue          |



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| General Ventilation Heating & Cooling Process & Plug Loads         | Lighting  |
| No required fields. Leave blank or select 'Don't Know' if unknown. |   |
| Laboratory lamp/ballast type                                       | T8/Electronic (>10 yrs old) ▼                                 |
| Fixture configuration in laboratory spaces                         | Direct-Indirect ▼   |
| Ceiling height in laboratory spaces (ft.)                          | 10  |
| Ceiling configuration in laboratory spaces                         | Ceiling tiles ▼   |
| Task illuminance level in laboratory spaces (footcandles)          | 40  |
| Is there task lighting in the laboratory spaces?                   | No ▼  |
| Do laboratory spaces have exterior windows?                        | No ▼  |
| Is laboratory lighting controlled using occupancy sensors?         | No ▼  |
| Percentage of unoccupied labs with lights left on                  | 30  |
|  | Save and Continue   |

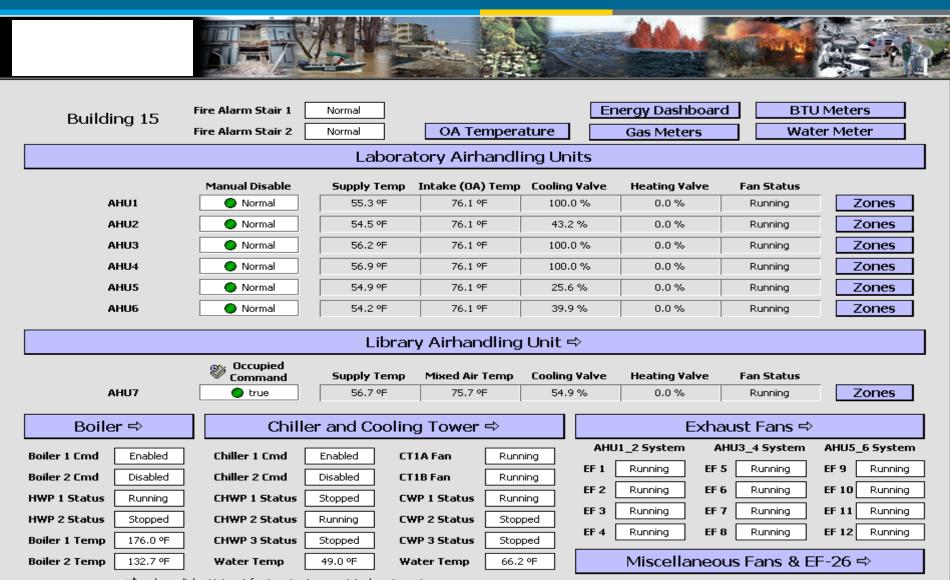




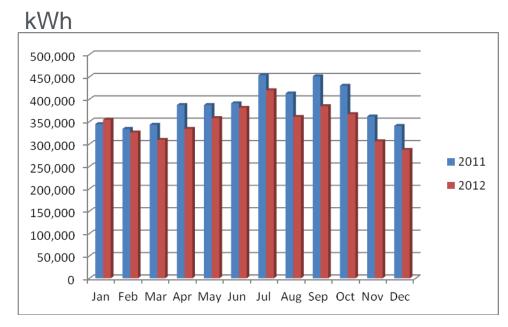


# Monitoring and control system - Niagra

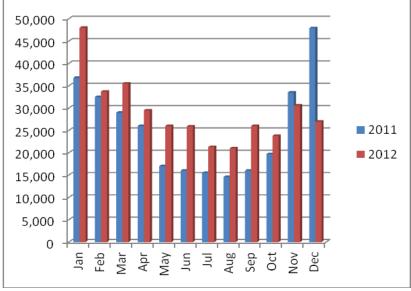




 $<sup>\</sup>Rightarrow$  = hyperlink: Hotspot for jumping to associated equipment.



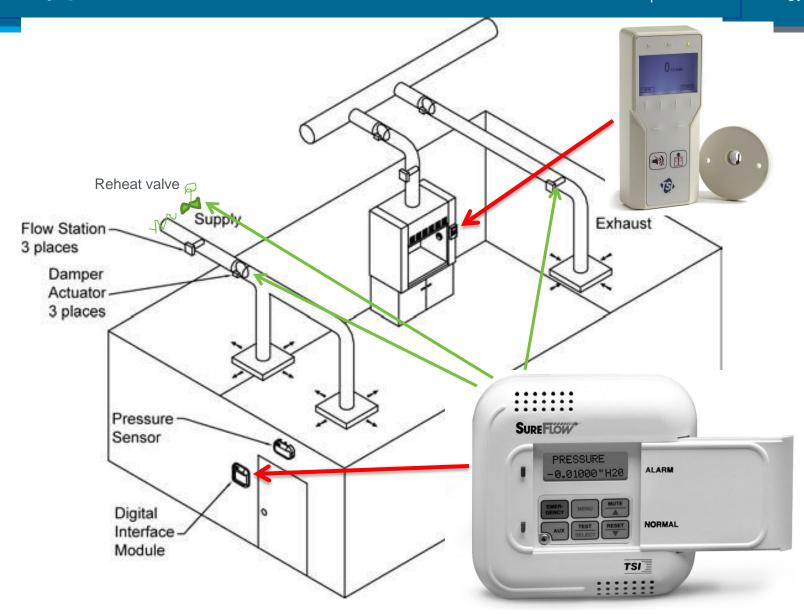
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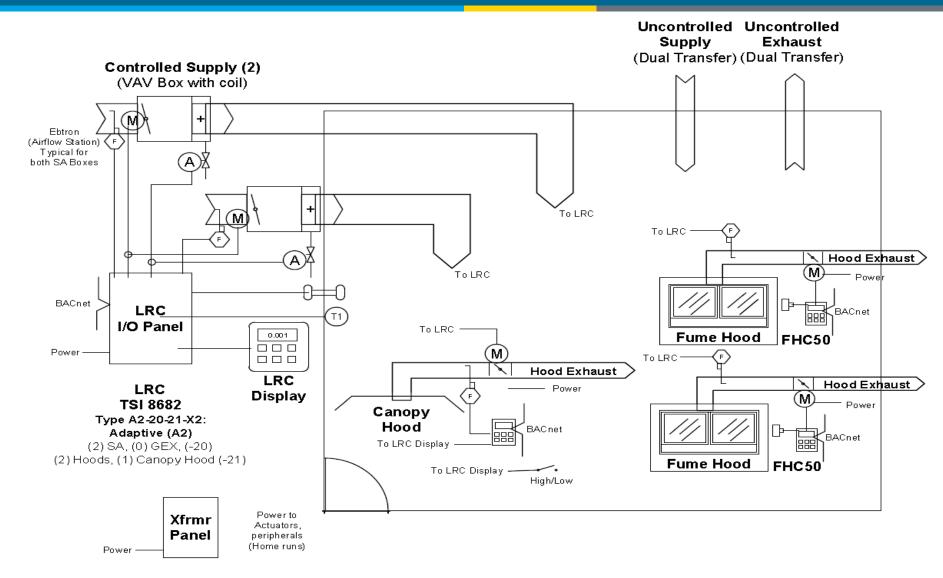
# Monitoring and Control Equipment



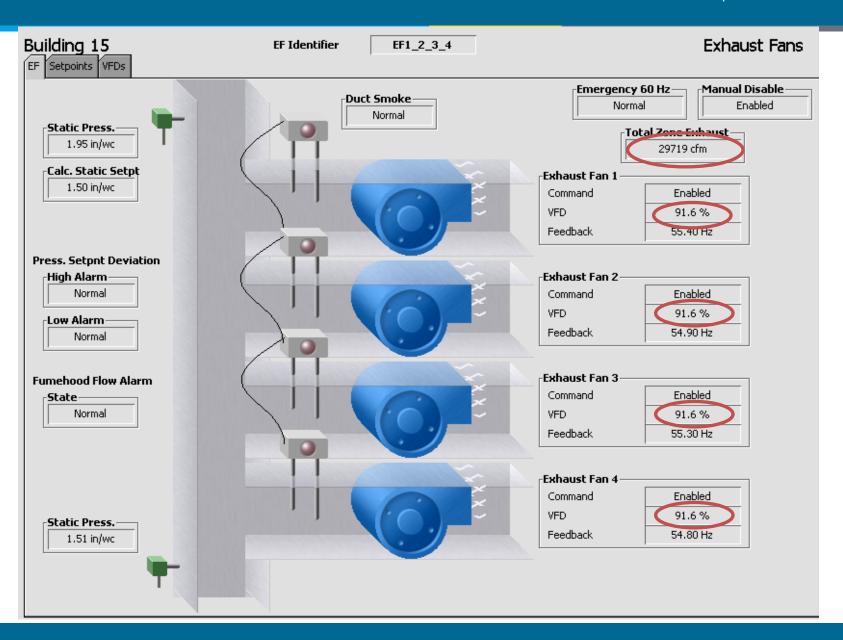




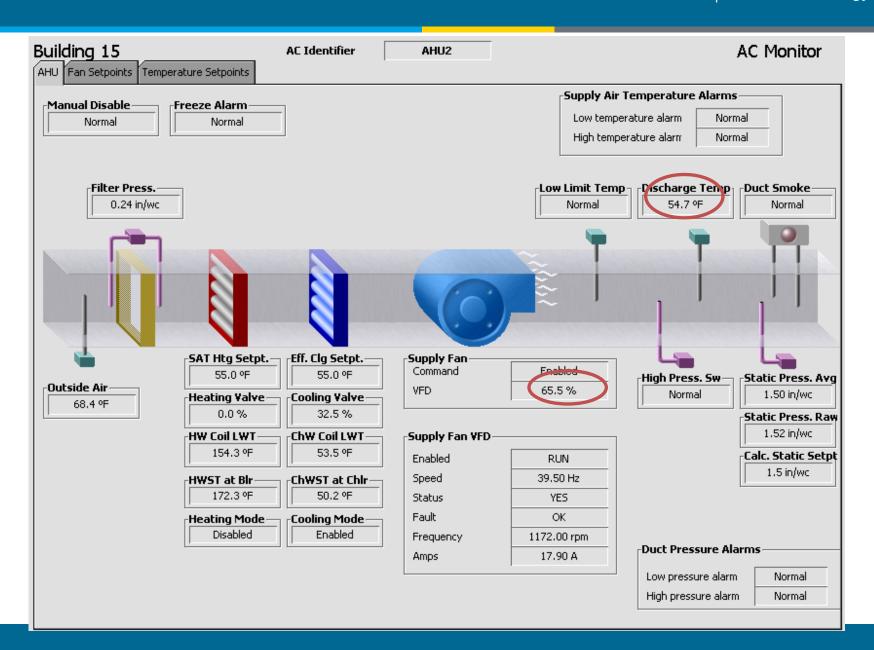
# VAV - Adaptive Control



# VFDs installed, opportunity?



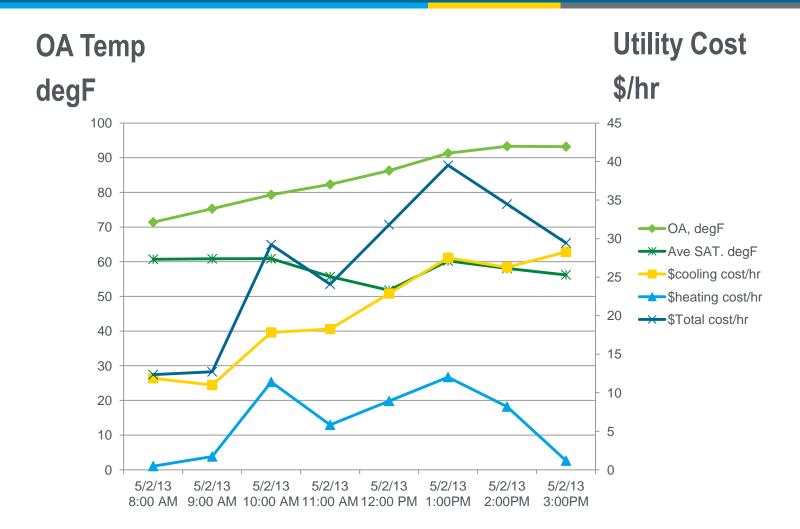
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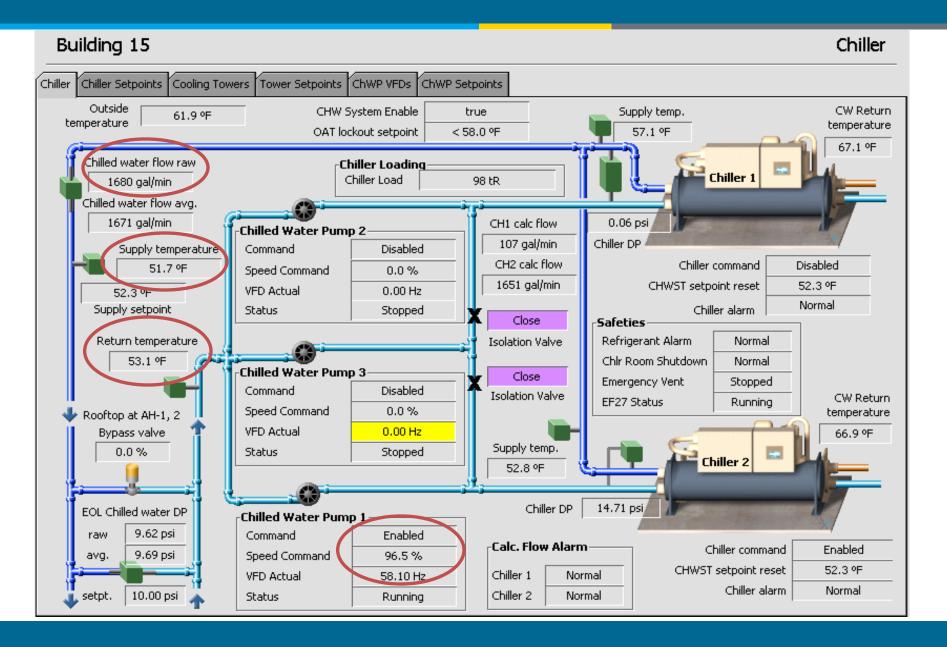
# Reheat in all zones, almost



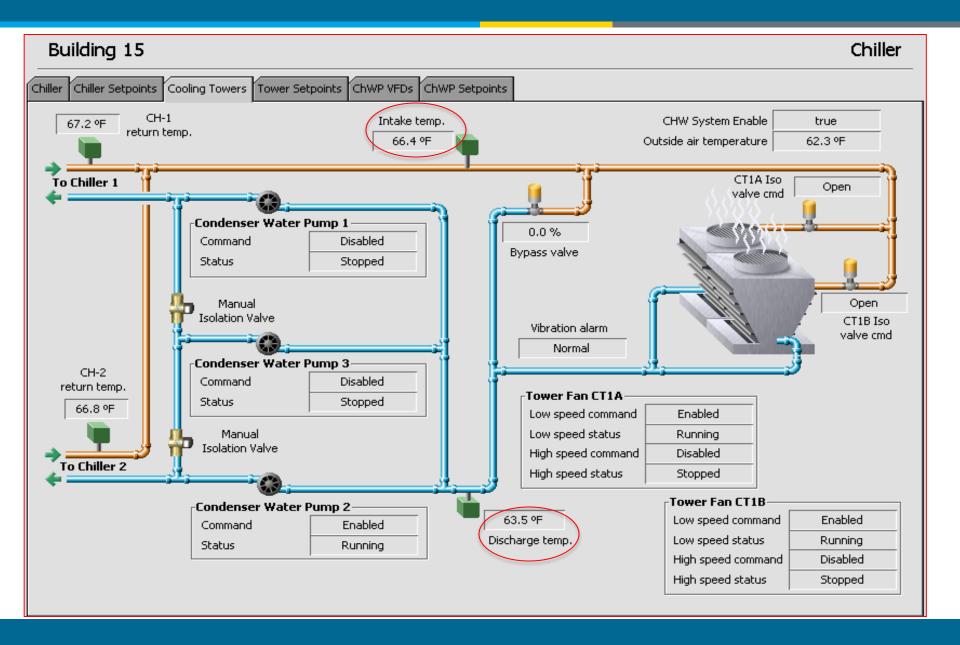
| Building 15                    |                     |                     |   |                           | AH-1 VAV Summa |                            |       |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|---------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|-------|--|
| 1 Office VAVs Flr 2 Office VA  | /s Flr 3 Office VAV | s Flr 1 Lab Zones F | Fir 1 Lab Zones Fir 2 Lab Zones Fir 3 Lab Zones |                           |                | West Pod Office Zone Sched |       |  |
| Room #                         | Zone Temp           | Current Setpoint    | Heating Valve                                   | SA Flow                   | Damper         | EA Flow                    |       |  |
| M1033                          | 70.80 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 47.00 %   | 481.00 cfm                | 37.00 %        | 550.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M1039_1039A_1037               | 71.00 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 57.00 %   | 785.00 cfm                | 0.00 %         | 1130.00 cfm                |       |  |
| M1073                          | 71.20 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 40.00 %   | 32.00 cfm                 | 29.00 %        | 193.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M1075                          | 73.30 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 0.00 %  | 339.00 cfm                | 44.00 %        | 398.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M1110                          | 70.90 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 42.00 %   | 11 <mark>0.00 cfm</mark>  | 28.00 %        | 166.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M1112                          | 71.20 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 46.00 %   | 665.00 cfm                | 0.00 %         | 1101.00 cfm                |       |  |
| Building 15                    | 71 NA 0F            | 71 NN 0F            | 40 00 %   | 585 00 cfm                | 8 nn %.        | 1371 00 cfm<br>H-2 VAV Sum | mary  |  |
| Flr 1 Office VAVs Flr 2 Office | VAVs Flr 3 Office V | AVs Flr 1 Lab Zones | Flr 2 Lab Zones Flr 3 I                         | Lab Zones                 | Wes            | st Pod Office Zone S       | chedu |  |
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| M2021_2021A                    | 71.30 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 24.00 %   | 2 <mark>6</mark> 6.00 cfm | 25.00 %        | 278.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M2025                          | 71.00 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 62.00 %   | 4 <mark>18.00 cfm</mark>  | 17.00 %        | 566,00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M2061                          | 70.80 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 39.00 %   | 105.00 cfm                | 22.00 %        | 166.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M2063                          | 71.20 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 39.00 %   | 255.00 cfm                | 24.00 %        | 318.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M2065                          | 70.80 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 38.00 %   | 171.00 cfm                | 18.00 %        | 228.00 cfm                 |       |  |
| M2067A                         | 70,80 °F            | 71.00 °F            | 0.00 %  | 174.00 cfm                | 28,00 %        | 176,00 cfm                 |       |  |



## Monitoring few others...



## ..and few more...



# Current and potential utility cost



